

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Yesterday, today and tomorrow.....

Today is May 22, 2006. "Yesterday" at St. Philip began in the summer of 1938. The purple blossoms of La Tour's alfalfa field still waved along Victoria and Crooks Streets. On September 17, Bishop Rhode appointed Fr. Verbeten to transform this stretch of truck garden into a "Garden of the Lord". At that time only five houses stood between Victoria and Bellevue from Crooks to Mason. On September 24, the basement of Oak Grove School became the site of the first Sunday Mass.

On October 2, the first parish meeting was held and a building committee was started. Soon a combination church, school and convent was planned at an estimated cost of \$147,000. When the project was completed (including the rectory), the total cost was \$163,500.

It had been intended that the new brick structure trimmed with stone would be turned into a gymnasium and auditorium as soon as a permanent church could be erected. But, the church has never been built.

In September 1940, Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity of Manitowoc came to serve the school. Within a few years, an addition to the school and convent was built to serve increased numbers of students and faculty.

The school started with 290 students (from 268 families) – an amalgamation from the parishes of Saints Peter and Paul, Saint John, the Cathedral, Saint Mary, St. Willebrord and various public schools. The open fields around St. Philip had disappeared as houses mushroomed all over the area.

In 1955, plans for a church were postponed as plans for a new parish – St. Bernard – began to develop. In 1956, 324 families and 380 students of St. Philip parish became part of the startup of St. Bernard (which is now 50 years old!). In 1959, a third addition to St. Philip school took place because the parish contained 1100 families and 907 students. The faculty included 18 sisters and 6 lay teachers.

In 1967, the 8th-grade graduating class of St. Philip school included 98 students. In 2006, the whole K-8 school included 98 students. Enrollment had begun to decline in 1981 and has continued to do so.

In the late 1960's, St. Philip parish had a debt of \$300,000. A drive was planned in the early 1970's and the debt was paid by 1975.

In the 1970's St. Willebrord closed its school and St. John the Evangelist and Cathedral closed their schools in the 1980's and entered into a temporary consolidation with Ss. Peter and Paul and St. Mary of the Angels. St. Thomas More school later evolved and is at the St. Mary site.

In 1995, at a meeting of Eastside pastors, an exploration of cooperation among the schools and exploration of possible unification was requested of the Diocesan Department of Education. Later, area planning for the decrease in the number of priests led to voluntary cooperation of Eastside parishes called "United Ministry Planning Area" (UMPA). St. Philip parish members participated in the various committees formed to address ministry needs—including the schools.

In 2000, the UMPA school committee evolved into a serious Eastside Unification Study that required many meetings and much work. Proposals were developed and a proposed plan was submitted to all the parishes – with the understanding that participation would be voluntary with each parish having to decide whether or not to join.

The St. Philip Parish Pastoral Council, Board of Total Catholic Education, and Finance Committee all supported unification because it was clear that St. Philip School could not continue to stand alone because of declining enrollments and financial burdens on the parish. Unification fell apart as St. Bernard, Resurrection, Holy Cross and then St. Matthew decided not to join in an area effort.

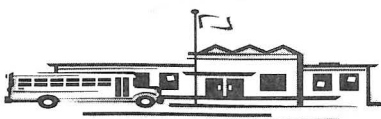
St. Philip explored other possibilities with Holy Martyrs, St. Thomas More and St. Matthew, but they did not work out. In 2005, Diocesan wide School Planning was mandated by Bishop Zubic. St. Philip had members participating on all committees in the process from February through July with some participation continuing when the process resumed in August through December. GRACE became the proposal that was announced on November 18, 2005. St. Philip had been hanging on by the fingernails from year to year trying to increase enrollment and bridge into a new combined Catholic school system. The GRACE proposal was very disappointing and had to be opposed. It failed in the major stated principles and purposes: accessible to all who wanted a Catholic school education; affordable for parishes and parents; a system shared by all in a just and fair manner that would provide a better education process throughout the greater Green Bay area (23 parishes and 13 schools) and protect Catholic school education into the future (beyond a short-term band aid). The GRACE recommendations to close some schools left those faculties without any employment protections.

In 2006, St. Philip, after a long internal process and after consultations with diocesan administrators and the Diocesan Board of Catholic Education, recommended closing St. Philip School in June because of the low enrollment (about 70 for K-8); the cost per student (about \$5500); and, the continuing school deficits that default into parish debt.

On May 3, the decision to close was announced. The remaining days in May and early June take us into unfamiliar, untraveled roads – how to bring the journey to a conclusion and yet how to cherish the past and be grateful to all who created and sustained St. Philip School. Over the decades, the parish sacrificed to make the school possible. Alumni express gratitude for their opportunity. The Sisters served from the beginning through to the end. No thank you's seem adequate. Words cannot express enough. Endings are painful. Goodbyes are hard. Faith, hope and love console and push us forward. Life has not ended. We are immersed in uninvited change and seek, search, and struggle to find our way.

Today: We re-work plans and budgets for 2006-07. Ministry and presence must continue. Good area schools now invite OUR students ... and we have to let them go. "Letting go" is an essential part of life. (We usually resist it rather than welcome it.)

Tomorrow: We ask for the gift of a new day tomorrow and promise to be there; to serve; to remember; to be grateful. All is gift. In and through the gracious, self-giving God, all are One.



Best wishes. God bless all,

Fr. Larry

I WILL ALWAYS BE GRATEFUL... TO ST. PHILIP SCHOOL

I have been so blessed in life! It all started back in 1952 when I attended 1st grade at St. Philip School—in what is now the Athletic Club Room. Things I remember—

- Meeting lots of kids and starting to build friendships
- The nuns with the long rosary beads and really stiff veils around their faces
- Everything focusing on those chalkboards
- Having to walk 3 tiles from the walls in the hallways
- Sneaking extra goiter pills when you got to pass them out
- First Communion being a very special day
- Being a member of Sr. Ambrosine's choir & singing at the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass
- Realizing it wasn't such a good idea to have the choir all lip-sing a song at practice
- Getting into hot water after putting skate marks on the floor of the new school addition
- Shaking while Fr. Verbeten looked over your report card
- Playing basketball for Vince Hermans and John Miller
- My Dad coaching both football and basketball and letting me and "Tilks" be waterboy
- Our class of '59 coming up with the "Falcon" nickname
- The yearly May courts
- And last but not least - Sr. Justinian our principal or "ANGEL" as she turned out to be

LIFE WAS GOOD!!!

But that wasn't the end of my ties to St. Philip School. I came back in 1970-1975 to teach 6th grade in one of the very rooms from my childhood days. And yes, my "Angel" was back again - but this time she was by boss! On my very first day of teaching, while waiting for the bell to ring to get started - I tripped over the wastebasket in front of the whole class! I remember having the flu while teaching and Sr. "J" brought down her remedy at recess while the kids were outside (3/4 cup of blackberry brandy - which did the trick for me). I remember shortly after our first child was born, I went to Sr. "J" to ask for a raise—only to come out of her office with a snicker bar in my hand and a smile on my face (never having the heart to ask for that raise) but I knew... **LIFE WAS STILL GOOD!**

After my teaching days ended in 1975 our first of three children started at St. Philip School - and I became an active parent involved in Athletics, Home School, Board of Ed etc. And not much changed - Sr. "J" was back for the 3rd time -- as pastoral associate, making sure everything went smoothly and everyone was happy. I watched as my kids took part in Mass, played sports, cheerleading, usually making the honor roll... always treated with great respect and learning so much more than the 3 R's.... **AND LIFE CONTINUED TO BE GOOD!**

As I visit the School today... I can't help but remember my earlier days here at St. Philips. The classes are much smaller now and more lay people are in charge... but still the halls are filled with love and respect and the atmosphere is the same as in the days of old. All you kids—cherish your last days in this great school! All you parents—be thankful for all the good years we have had!

**WE HAVE ALL BEEN BLESSED TO HAVE BEEN A PART OF THIS GREAT SCHOOL.
THANK YOU ST. PHILIPS—FOR THE WONDERFUL RIDE!!!**

Michael G. Dymond

*St. Philip School will always have
a special place in my heart...
as a former student & teacher here for 30 years.*

My parents always valued a Catholic Education and St. Philip provided that excellent education with dedicated and caring teachers for the entire Mancheski family of six children.

Even though I wore braces and walked with crutches when I attended this fine school, everyone treated me with respect and dignity. The Sisters of St. Philip made me feel loved by God and others. It was because of their teaching of God's love that I chose to return here as a teacher – years later.

Many treasured memories have been made over these years, which my family and I will be forever grateful. Some childhood memories include:

Residing right behind the school and having the sisters and priests stop in for food & drinks, cookouts & visits.

During the fundraisers booyah kettles were set up in our backyard.

Dad would cook breakfast for the workers, serving bacon and eggs during the wee hours of the morning. All of us kids would pitch in and help where needed.

I can still hear the laughter and conversations outside.

Everyone took an active role to raise money for our school and church.

What a wonderful and rewarding experience it was for me to be a member of the teaching faculty here as well. Many strong relationships were formed with students and their parents and fellow co-workers. I consider myself very blessed to have had those opportunities of working with such generous and supportive school parents. There were many parents who put forth great effort and time during the recent attempts to keep our school flourishing. And what a great testimony to our school when former students returned to St. Philips to enroll their own children in the same classrooms they once sat in.

Even though St. Philip School will be closing its doors shortly – we can still keep our hearts opened to the fond, rich and historical memories we've experienced and keep our St. Philip spirit alive!

Yeah!!!

Hurray for St. Philip School and their families!!!

God bless you all – and thank you!!!

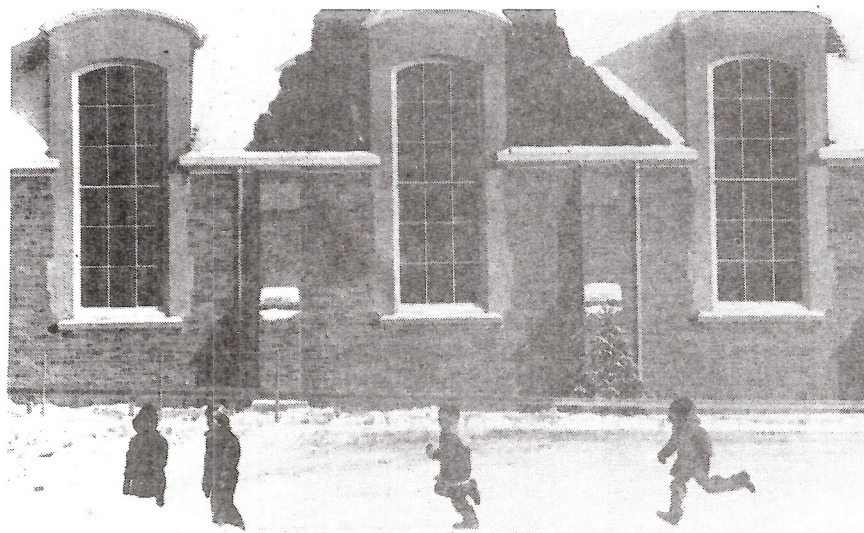


Diane (Mancheski) Noreika



Neville Public Museum
Press-Gazette Collection

October 5, 1979: 22 buses loaded with 979 persons from the area leaving from St. Philip's Church to attend a Mass said by Pope John Paul II in Chicago.



Neville Public Museum
Press-Gazette Collection

January 10, 1977: Melting snow on the roof of St. Philip's Church forms a pattern much like the steeple. Children play.



Sister Julitta - First Principal

Principals

Sister Justinian	Sister Jolyce
Sister Clementia	Sister Emerita
Sister Mary Bodwin	Sister Colette

First Class to Graduate which began school at St. Philip's Parish - 1949



Class of 1948

Bottom Row Left to Right: Father De Groot, Mary Young, Theresa Froelich, Jane Cornell, Beverly Daul, Mary Ann Joski, Mary Ann Weseley, Pat Hallada, Father Verbaten. Row 2: Ronald De Bauche, Marilyn Hull, Mary Heyman, Marcella Heyman, Joanne Butnick, Mary Danelski, Carol De Bauche and Leland De Bauche. Row 3: Robert LeRoy, Donald Zeise, Delores Mintjal, Betty Stencil, Mary Lou Beno, Eunice Umentum, Pat Coppens, Myron Kaster, Denis Campbell. Row 4: Gerald Huemphner, Frank Kamenski, Jean Barrette, Joan Clark, Ione Eichorst, Dorothy Nowak, Tom Beimborn, James Zeutzius. Row 5: Sister Justinian, Sister Jarlath, Richard Waitula, Dave Donarski, James Dorsey, James Williquette, Harold Holschuh, James Prosser, James DeVillers, George Kummers.



*Msgr. Theodore H. Verbeten
1938-1969*

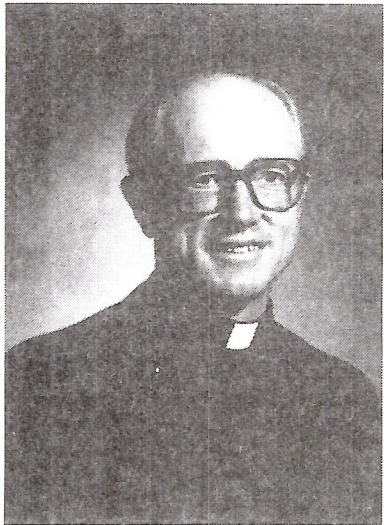
RT. REV. MONSIGNOR THEODORE HENRY VERBETEN

Msgr. Theodore H. Verbeten served as the driving force behind St. Philip's Parish for over thirty years. Born in Kimberly, Wisconsin in 1895, Msgr. Verbeten was ordained by Bishop Rhode at St. Francis Xavier in Green Bay on May 3, 1924. His first assignment to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Marinette, Wisconsin was followed by assignments with St. John in Little Chute and Holy Family Parish in Elcho. In September of 1938 he was appointed as organizer and founding pastor of St. Philip The Apostle Parish in what was then, Preble, Wisconsin.

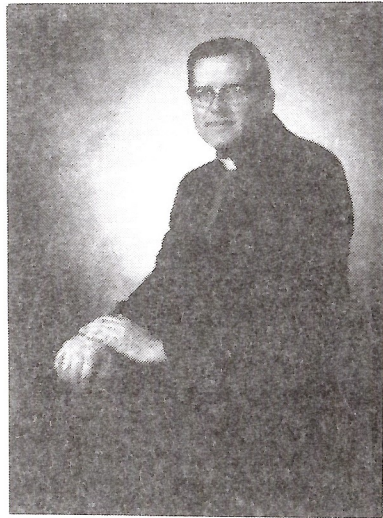
He served the diocese as Diocesan Matrimonial Tribunal, Board of Parish-Priest Consultors, 1957; Board of Pro-synodal Examiners, 1940; Commission on Sacred Museum, Art and Liturgy, 1960; and Diocesan Board of Consultors, 1962.

On May 19 of 1962, Msgr. Verbeten was raised to the dignity of domestic prelate by Pope John XXIII. In 1964, Msgr. Verbeten offered a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving celebrating the 40th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

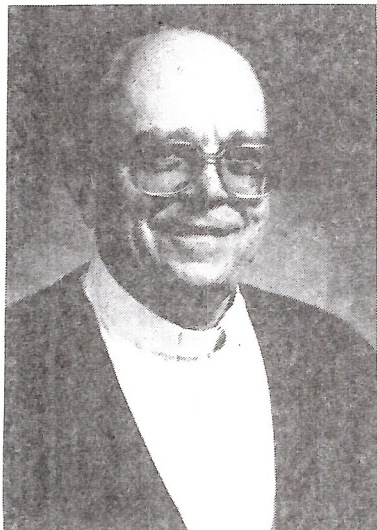
Msgr. Verbeten died at St. Mary's Home in Manitowoc, Wisconsin on January 6, 1974 at the age of 78. His parish remembered that "no other person has had as deep an influence upon the character and spirit of St. Philip Parish as . . . Monsignor Verbeten. For thirty-one of his almost fifty years in priesthood he lived and labored and loved in the midst of his people."



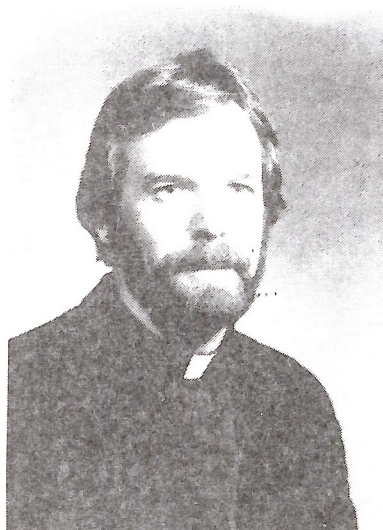
*Msgr. Paul Koszarek
1969-1975*



*Fr. Richard Allen
1975-1982*



*Fr. Harry Beernsten
1982-1988*



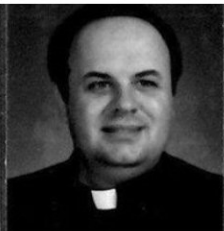
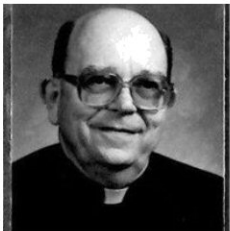
*Fr. Michael Dory
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PASTORS & ASSOCIATES OF ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

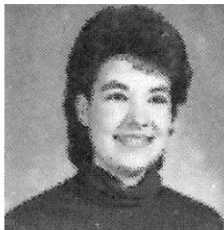
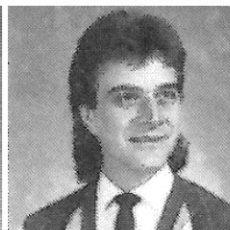
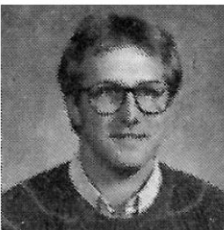
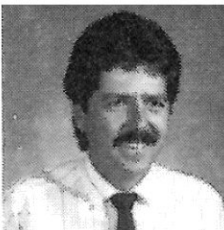
Msgr.	Theodore H. Verbeten	1938	Pastor
Rev.	William C. Willinger	1940	
	Frederick J. De Groot	1944	
	Sylvester A. Borusky	1952	
	Frilolin L. Olschowski	1952	
	Allen F. Walt	1952	
Msgr.	Richard A. Maufort	1955	
Rev.	Norbert A. Vande Loo	1956	
	James F. Vennix	1956	
	George G. Lenzner	1957	
	Richard Wochenske	1957	
	Leo R. Lessard	1960	
	David D. Kasperek	1963	
	Thomas Downs	1964	
	Jerome J. Taddy	1965	
	Leonard M. Evers	1968	
	John Van Der Horst	1968	
Msgr.	Paul R. Koszarek	1969	Pastor
Rev.	Roger W. Strebel	1969	
	Richard L. Allen	1975	Pastor
	Mitchell N. Weber	1977	
	Leon Wollersheim	1979	
	Harold A. Beernsten	1982	Pastor
	Donald Becker	1982	
	Michal Somers	1984	
	Wm. J. Eberhardy	1986	
	Michael Dory	1988	Pastor
	John Harper	1988	



FATHER DORY AND FATHER HARPER



Sister Jo
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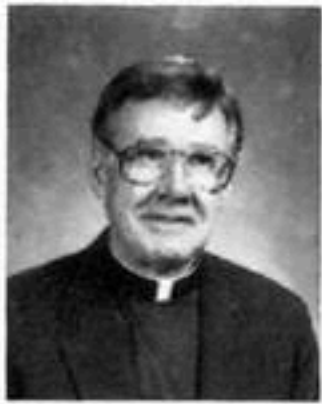
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and L. Peterson



Sisters
Sr. Justinian, Sr. Rose, Sr. Helen, Sr. Brooken, Sr. Joleen, Sr. Delores,
Sr. Rose, Sr. Paulette, Sr. Clara, Sr. Colette, Sr. Carol, Sr. Ann, Sr. Ann



Father Michael Dory
Father Paul Du Charme
Mr. Lee Bouchea, Band
Sister Diana De Bruin, Pastoral Associate
Mrs. Marge Englebert, Secretary



Sister Janet, Tutor
Mrs. Dolly Martin, Librarian
Mrs. Marge Nick, Bookkeeper
Miss Beth Pankratz, Student Teacher
Mrs. Nancy Schultz, Religious Ed.



Mrs. Donna Trembl, Director Religious Ed.
Mr. Jim Tursky, Custodian
Sister Joleen Van Dyke, Music



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Rev. John Harper, Sr. Justinian, Donna Treml, Sr. Colette and Rev. Michael Dory



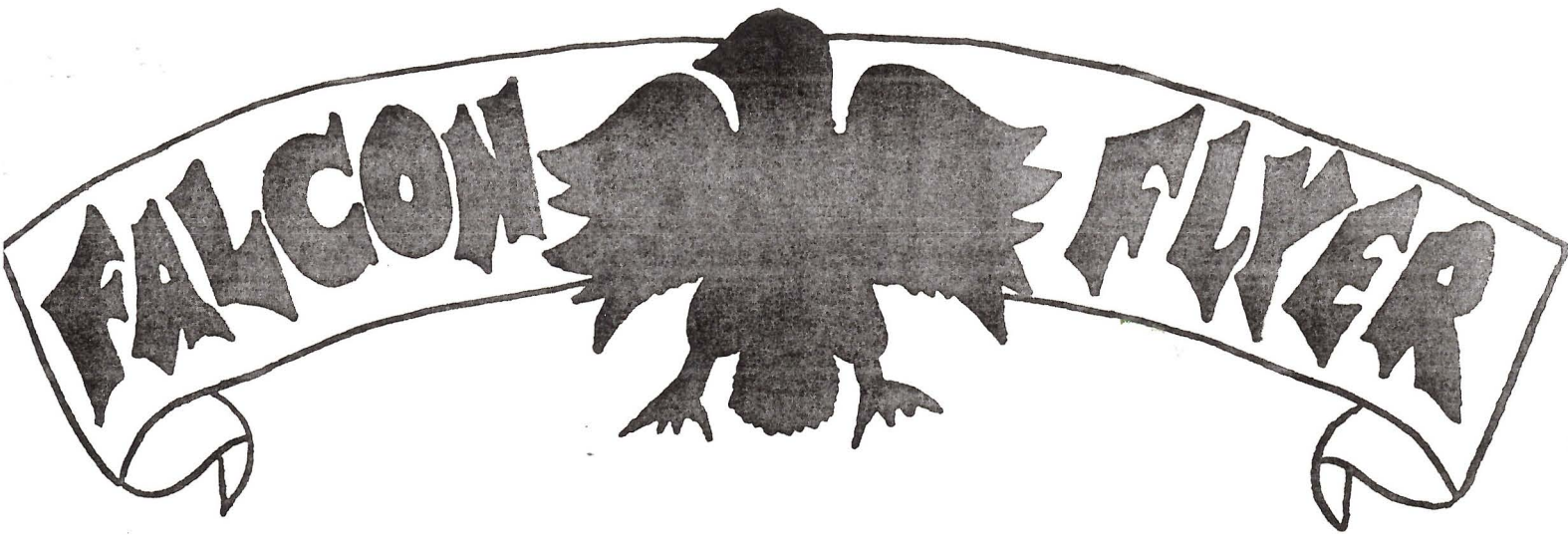
Teachers

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Middle Row: Sr. Clare, D. Mancheski, Sr. Colette, J. Robley, D. Martin, M. L. White, Bottom Row: R. Hruska, D. Rogers, J. Lucci,
S. Carlson, Absent: J. Naparalla and L. Peterson



Sisters

Top Row: Sr. Justinian, Sr. Rose, Sr. Helen, Sr. Brideen, Sr. Joleen, Sr. Delores
Bottom Row: Sr. Paulette, Sr. Clare, Sr. Colette, Sr. Cecil, Absent Sr. Ann Kennedy



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St. Philip School

Jan. 29, 1989

ST. PHILIP SCHOOL CELEBRATES CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Catholic Schools Week is a very special week this year at St. Philip School, as the parish is also celebrating its 50th Anniversary. In combination of these two events, this year's theme for Catholic Schools Week is "Communities with Memories."

In keeping with this theme, the classes have chosen many special activities which bring up old memories as well as insights for the future.

The festivities begin today as members of the seventh and eighth grade classes greet parishioners at the Sunday morning Masses. Following all Masses is an Open House at St. Philip School.

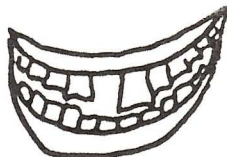
Monday, students will pair up with members of other classes so that they can get to know each other better. These "buddies" will be together during numerous activities during the week.

Socializing is the key word Tuesday. To promote the community aspect of Catholic schools, the staff believes it is important for the students to meet, greet and get to know one another. During this time, students will also spend time reading to their buddies.

Wednesday is a day of entertainment. This fun is provided for the students by the students.

All students will participate in an all-school Liturgy Thursday at 1 p.m. This special Liturgy will be planned and given by the staff.

Finally, on Friday fun-day the students will dress up backwards to promote the idea of "Looking Back with Hope for the Future." There will be a pizza fun lunch provided that day, and the students will take part in a bingo party that afternoon.



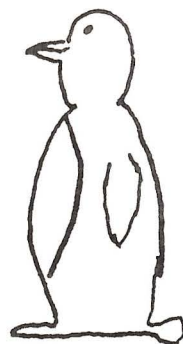
A.M. KINDERGARTEN--

The Morning Kindergarten class will celebrate Catholic Schools Week by talking about the future and making puppets of whom they are going to be.

Four students from the morning kindergarten will be celebrating their birthdays in January and February. Happy Birthday Tyler, Amanda, Brandy, and Casey!

All of the students will be making "flakey friends" and penguins in art, one of the kindergarteners' favorite classes. They also enjoy reading, free time, and Weather Bear.

Recently, the students of this class have lost 14 teeth.



P.M. KINDERGARTEN--

The Afternoon Kindergarten is very busy lately. They have just finished their "flakey friends," penguins, and puppets of who they will be in the future.

Happy Birthday to Leah, Mike, Matt and Colin, all of whom are celebrating their birthdays during January and February.

Like the morning class, the afternoon Kindergarten students also enjoy art and free time, but they also listed snack time as one of their favorite subjects.

by Jenny Verheyen and Jody Coppersmith

GRADE 1--

Sister Clare's first grade has been discovering a lot of new things. In religion, they found out why God created each of them as a unique human being. They also learned about the powers Jesus possesses and the miracles He performed.

In math, grade one is learning to add and subtract numbers through 12, and how to count to 100 by 2, 5, and 10.

They are moving very quickly in reading, and have already started level 4 in Unit 2. Also, they are learning about inflections and root words.

In art, they made snowmen and lambs as part of the Good Shepherd theme they are working on in religion.

Mrs. Peterson's room has been making time lines for the future. They collected pictures of their mothers and fathers who graduated from St. Philip.

The students are studying the sacrament of Baptism and are hoping to baptize their dolls in religion. They are also doing prayer services at which they will have, for the first time, song leaders.

In addition to learning to count to 100 by 2, 5, and 10, this class is also covering odd and even numbers in math.

For reading, the kids are divided into "cats" and "dogs." The dogs read a story about an aquarium and even made an aquarium filled with stuffed fish. The cats read about shadows and did an activity to go along with their reading as well.

For art, the students made toboggan kids and garbage bag snowmen in honor of winter. They also made snowflakes and penguins.

by Carrie Kroll and Amy Dorner

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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GRADE 2--

The students in Miss Mancheski's room had a fun time making igloos and Eskimos to celebrate the winter season. They also wrote stories to go along with their pictures.

In math, they are doing addition and subtraction to 17 and 18. They just got a new series in reading, and their first story was "That's What Friends Are For."

In Mrs. Roger's class, all the kids are very excited about the mock Baptism they are having in two weeks. They will be picking names to find out who the parents and godparents will be and to decide whose dolls will be baptized. Also, they had a reading contest. Matt Van Egeren won, reading 47 books!

Students in both of the second grade rooms are preparing to receive their First Communion. Lastly, two second grade students will celebrate their birthdays in January. They are Andy Verheyen and Brooke Lessmiller, both of whom will be 8.

by Jenny Wennesheimer and Kate Schaefer



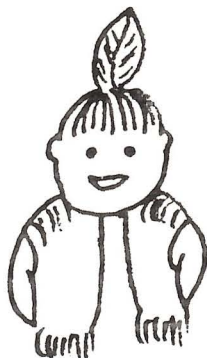
GRADE 3--

The third graders have been getting very excited about Catholic Schools Week. In preparation for it, they have made fish and banners in art class to decorate their room.

They claim that spelling is their favorite class, and science is at the bottom of their "likes" column. In math, their favorite thing to do is multiply. They also enjoy reading books and spending time in the "activity corner" when they have finished their assignments.

In reading, the third graders have been learning a great deal about Native-Americans and the different hair styles they have. As an activity, they even drew pictures of the Indians.

These students have been learning fast that the best place to sit is as far away from the teacher as possible, but the students in Mrs. Laundrie's room need not worry too much about this. She has managed to be quite far away from them--as far away as Brazil, South America, in fact. Mrs. DeBaker has been teaching the third grade in her place. Enjoy your trip!



by Shawn Nowak

GRADE 4--

Miss Hruska's room is busy with a lot of new material. In math, they are learning basic division, that is, without remainders. They are making rainbows for the 10 Commandments in religion, and are learning to use various reference materials in reading.

The respiratory, circulatory, nervous, digestive and skeletal-muscular are all systems of the human body which they are studying in science, and in language, they are learning how to use quotation marks and are making "I Have a Dream" posters.

Also, in social studies, they are studying the Coastal, Central, and Great Plains regions.

The fourth graders have special plans for Catholic Schools Week. They are learning to square dance!

This year has been going well for Mrs. Bechard's room. They, too, are studying division in math, various regions in social studies, and the 10 Commandments in religion. Likewise, they are covering the systems in science.

This class is also studying pronouns in language and is already on Unit 20 in spelling. They have just completed a story entitled "The Cabin Faced West."

For Catholic Schools Week, this class will also learn 4 or 5 square dances which they will perform for the other grades during the week.

by Carrie Kroll and Amy Dorner

GRADE 5--

For Catholic Schools week, Mr. Van Laanen's room is making booklets comparing what the students think of Catholic schools and what their parents and grandparents think of them. They are also asking what school was like for them.

In art, they are making fossils with plaster of Paris and are making posters for a dental contest.

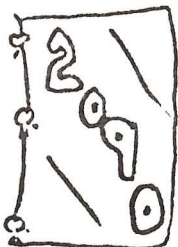
All of the fifth graders are preparing for the sacrament of Reconciliation, a major step in their spiritual growth.

Mr. Van Laanen's gerbils have had three babies which are now two weeks old, and speaking of birthdays, Mr. Van Laanen celebrated his 34th birthday this month.

Mrs. White's room is reading a story about frontier schools. They also wrote stories and made booklets of our school. They plan to think ahead to 2090 and write about what they think school might be like at that time.

Senior members of the Kiwanis Club are going to talk to the students about life in years past.

In social studies, they are preparing to present the "Bill of Rights Rap." Also, the students wrote a letter of congratulations to our new president, George Bush, in which they told him about Catholic Schools Week and St. Philip Parish's 50th Anniversary.



by Brent Kramer and Jason Van Rite



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Backwards Day

Y/2

GRADE 6--

Mrs. Robley's room has quite a full week for Catholic Schools Week! Monday, the students will write summary sheets of parents and students values of education. On one side, students write their favorite things about school and their experiences here. Their parents do the same on the opposite side. The class is going to a class Liturgy Thursday, and will have fun dressing in an out-of-the-ordinary way on Friday, "Backwards Day."

In daily studies, the sixth grade is covering pronouns and predicative nominatives in language, fractions in math, and covenants and promises in religion.

Language and art skills were combined in a single activity as the students wrote forgery stories which will be exhibited in the hall for Sunday's Open House.

Mr. Patterson's room is making "reflection" booklets for Catholic Schools Week, in which the students will compare their Catholic school experience with their parents and grandparents. They are also pairing up with the 3rd graders for oral reading, and will be doing various special activities and games in their own classroom during the week.

In science, they are doing "meology," the study of alcohol and other drugs.

by Eric Johanski and Brent Kramer

GRADE 7--

Mr. Donlon's social studies classes are studying the Soviet Union and are discussing the differences between Communism and Democracy.

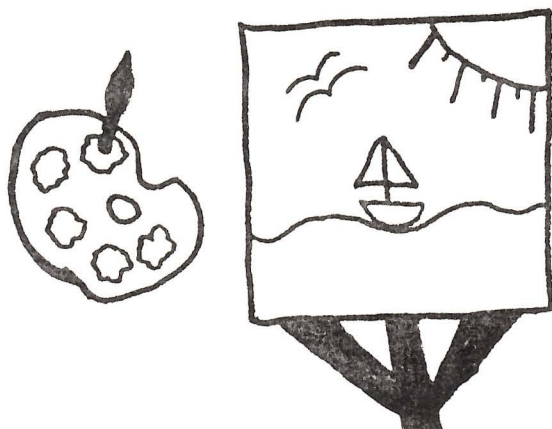
In art, they are studying Norman Rockwell as part of a unit on American Painters.

In religion, they are getting ready for Catholic Schools Week by thinking of good deeds they can perform for neighbors during the week. This activity is meant to teach students that part of their Christian identity is acting on what they believe.

In Miss Vincent's math classes, students are studying everything from payroll deductions and income tax forms to fractions, factors, and prime numbers. This class is also studying the life and works of Norman Rockwell.

In religion, the seventh graders are studying the attitudes of Jesus and are viewing T.V. shows to recognize the attitudes toward life that are portrayed in the shows.

by Jason Misovec





GRADE 8--

ROCKS

Sr. Delores' room has been very busy finishing up the second quarter. They just finished midterms in science on igneous, sedimentary, and metamorphic rocks.

In art, they had a lot of fun making their own "iron-on" tee shirt designs and actually ironed them on.

The class has many plans for Catholic Schools Week. They will begin Sunday by greeting parishioners of St. Philip's Church at the morning Masses. They have worked to put together this newspaper and will host a bingo party for the lower grades Friday afternoon.



Mrs. Carlson's class will likewise be greeting people at the Sunday morning Masses, working on this newspaper, and hosting bingo in celebration of Catholic Schools Week.

They have been working on mosaic pictures in art, which will be displayed in their classroom during Sunday's Open House.

In reading, they are reading the difficult, but interesting, Scarlet Letter by Nathaniel Hawthorne.

The eighth graders are concentrating on following the actions of Jesus as part of their religion classes this week.

by Don Fenlon and Jason Van Egeren

COMPUTER--

The second quarter of computer classes is coming to a close this week, as students finish up their quarter projects. The eighth grade, for example, is doing word processing, while the fifth and sixth grades are making a Catholic Schools booklet.



MUSIC--

Every class is learning something new in music at this time! The Kindergarten classes are learning songs with actions to go with them and are learning to "find" their singing voices.

The first and second grades are learning to write rhythm. The students in third and fourth grade are beginning harmony, or learning to sing in parts.

While the fifth grades learn about the instruments of the orchestra, the sixth grade is learning part singing.

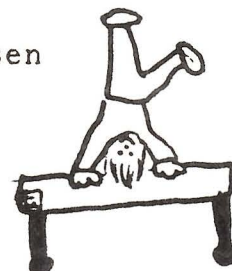
The seventh grades are learning to find their new singing voices, and the eighth grades are learning about music history.



PHY ED--

In phy. ed., the lower grades will be learning how to bowl with mats, pins, and a rubber bowling ball. The upper grades, on the other hand, are learning tumbling and gymnastics (coordination on the balance beam, uneven bars, and the trampoline).

by Scott DeBaker, Tom Goral, and Scott Jensen



LIBRARY--

For a quiet place, the St. Philip School Library sure has been an active place! The Kindergarten students acted out the story A Farmer's Dozen during storytime on Jan. 19.

The third and fourth graders got to meet two authors on filmstrips, Jean Fritz and Donald Sobol, during their AV periods. Jean Fritz is the author of many interesting biographies, and Donald Sobol is, of course, the author of the Encyclopedia Brown mysteries.

Since January is the month to make "New Years's Resolutions," the sixth graders were treated to the first two chapters of Be a Perfect Person in Just Three Days! It's a new paperback in our library.

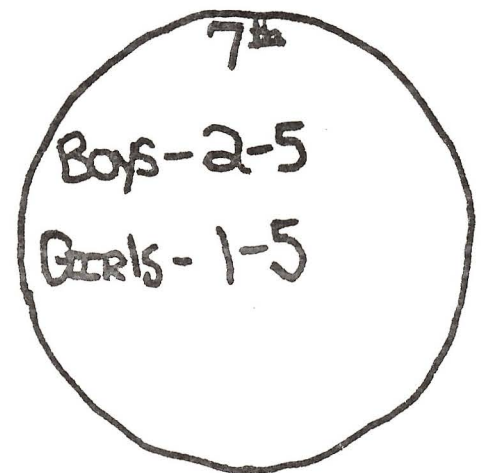
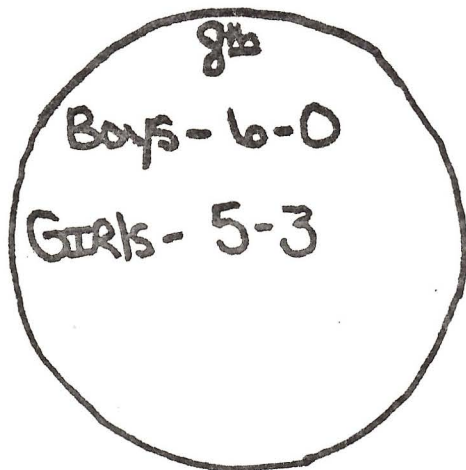
Jan. 18 was A.A. Milne's birthday.

Winnie the Pooh was the star of the movie the third graders watched that same Wednesday during their AV time. Afterwards, they picked Winnie the Pooh bookmarks out of a birthday cake box.

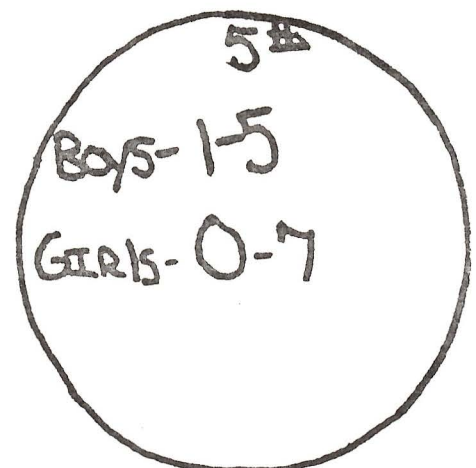
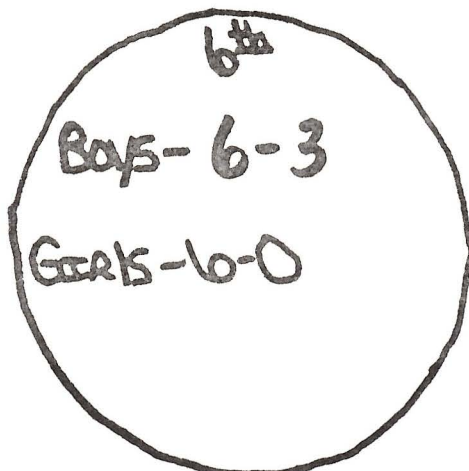
Our library has many new books being donated every week. Check the "new books" cart for these new books!

by Mrs. Martin

Basketball



St. Philip Falcons



**Three Cheers
for CATHOLIC
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A TIME FOR TRANSITIONS...

Welcome to the 1991 part of the 1990-1991 school year! We are just a few days away from the end of the semester-halfway through the year. It is a good time to look backward and to look forward, too.

As I look back over the first two quarters, I see so many of you growing in so many good ways! I want you to know that I am proud of you as individuals and as a school.

Many of you have made real improvements in your studies and your school work. I have seen some wonderful work displayed in your classrooms and hallways. Others of you have made special efforts to make the classroom a happy place to be by following directions and respecting others. You have faithfully observed the dress code, among other rules, even when you found it difficult or uncomfortable. And this is only a beginning!

I have seen you prepare liturgies for your class Masses that have demonstrated that you are open to finding out more about Jesus; I have observed the enthusiasm with which you represented and promoted our school for the fund raiser; and I am impressed with the progress you have made in academic areas, especially with our new computers.

A school is just a building without the people inside: the students, teachers, staff, and volunteers. You PEOPLE make this building come alive and fill it with excitement and wonder as we learn from each other about the marvelous gifts God has given each of us. YOU have made St. Philip a school we can be proud of.

So, as we begin the 1991 part of the year, I want to recongratulate you and encourage you to keep up the good job you have begun. YOU are God's miracles!

Sister Jo Ann

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KINDERGARTEN--MRS. DVORAK

The kindergarteners are very busy this quarter. They are working on all sorts of different things. For Advent they are working on Advent belts and Advent wreaths. They are making posters about themselves and their families. Also, they are working on books in which they pick the topics and draw the pictures, and the teachers write sentences to go with the pictures. They also enjoy listening to "The Three Billy Goats Gruff".

This quarter the kindergarteners visited Bellin Hospital to learn about their health and how to keep good health. They will also be visiting the East Branch Library.

The kindergarteners are working toward a movie and popcorn party for the Christmas season by filling Santa's beard every time they are well behaved.

The kindergarteners are learning their letters and letter sounds. They are working on storytelling, and in computer they enjoy "More or Less".

We would also like to wish a happy birthday to these people whose birthdays were in the second quarter: Megan Herlache, Jennifer Brice, Katie Prokash, Paul Schalirer, Chandra Schenichel, and Craig Nemetz.

by Karen Schlag



GRADE ONE-- MRS. PETERSON

The first grade project for November was trying to get all their stickers on the scarecrow. They achieved this goal, so they got to enjoy a movie. Congratulations first grade!

They are also putting on a puppet play for the kindergarteners for reading class. The first graders are very excited about the eleven people who lost teeth.

The students have been working on creative writing and lots of Christmas art to celebrate the season. In math they are working with addition and subtraction flashcards up to 10.

The first grade has an Advent wreath. They light a candle each Monday representing each week of Advent. They are going to be working with the eighth grade and writing letters to the servicemen in the Middle East.

We'd like to wish a happy birthday to Brennan Demro, Mark Guns, Brianne Lessmiller, Alaina Matzke, Matt Rentmeester, Trisha Zander, and Andy Lazzari!

by Becky Gantz and
Karen Schlag



GRADE TWO--MS. MANCHESKI AND MRS. ROGERS

In religion the second graders are making Advent wreaths and Jesse trees. They are also learning Scripture verses and the seven sacraments. For social studies they are learning about the colonists and Native Americans. In science they are studying the four food groups.

In math class they have two relay teams: the Packers and the 49ers. The teams are currently tied. Melanie Pigeon is in the lead with the most book reports in reading class.

The tooth count for the second grade this quarter is eleven teeth missing.

The classwide reward for December is a FUN VIDEO! HURRAY!!!

The following students have mastered 100 number facts within 15 minutes: David Barlow, Mitchell Belland, Vickie Charlier, Joel Giffin, Scott Golueke, Jenny Kuchta, Matthew Meverden, Katie Meyer, Emily Miller, Megan Phillips, Casey Rentmeester, Brad Schmechel, and Scott Vogels.

We'd like to wish the following a HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Jessica DeGroot, Jamie De Moulin, Amanda Du Bois, Vickie Charlier, Scott Golueke, Jenny Nemetz, Tyler Paal, and Melanie Pigeon.

by Pam Adams and Krissy
Collins



GRADE THREE--MRS. LAUNDRIE

The third grade is working on several science projects, such as putting water on bread and letting it sit until it grows mold, growing a potato plant, and putting celery in food coloring and watching the cells and veins.

They are also writing to the soldiers in the Middle East and have received some answers. They are praying for the soldiers, especially the eight soldiers who wrote back.

In math they are working on finishing the 90 club. When they add one more member, they will earn a popcorn party.

The third grade had a special speaker come. Mrs. Schultz, one of our Religious Education Coordinators, gave the third grade a "Before You Were Born" presentation.

Mrs. Laundrie is reading Charlotte's Web to the class. The third grade is trying to finish all their work in the course of a week. Whoever achieves this goal will be able to go to Sr. Janet and play games.

Congratulations to Stacy Wennesheimer and the four runners-up--Kiley Zellner, Jodi Stahl, David Wavrunek, and Katie Scovell--of the third grade spelldown.

We'd like to wish a happy birthday to Andy Schlag and Jodi Stahl.

by Becky Gantz and
Stephanie Osmond

GRADE THREE--SR. MARY FRANCIS

Since the third graders aren't planning any real field trips, they are going to take an imaginary field trip to another country.

To show their concern for the men in the Middle East, the third grade is writing cards to the men.

A special project the third grade is working on is making Advent chains for the Christmas season. They consider it a waiting project.

The third grade is working on a reward to see a video at the end of December. Another reward is earning a Pizza Hut coupon for their Book-it book reports.

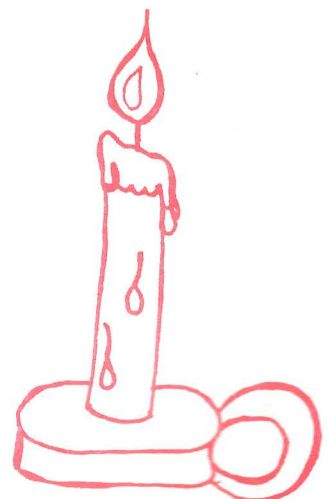
The third grade is working on Christmas stories and is going to share them with the first grade before Christmas.

In math they are learning to regroup and borrow.

The third grade is learning new things in computer.

In science they had a volcano erupt in their classroom. Now they are learning about earthquakes; they are going to have an earthquake.

by Sara Conrad



GRADE FOUR--MISS HRUSKA

The fourth grade has been really busy this quarter. In social studies they have finished their units on Hawaii and Puerto Rico. The students had fun looking at pictures of Hawaii and trying on grass hula skirts.

Mrs. Langers, a Booklegger, from the Brown County Library brought some books which she left for them to look at for three weeks. The students dressed up as a character from their favorite book for Book Week.

Three students have received letters from their Brave Hearts in the Middle East.

We'd like to wish a Happy Birthday to Leah Giffin, Danny Moureau, Anna Scovell, and Bryan Vogels, all of whom celebrate birthdays this quarter.

by Tina Hannon



GRADE FOUR--MRS. LUCCI

Recently Mrs. Langer from Bookleggers of the Brown County Library visited Mrs. Lucci's class. She talked to them about the many good books at the library, and left some of the books for the kids to read.

For book week in November, the third graders dressed up as a favorite book character and told the others about their books.

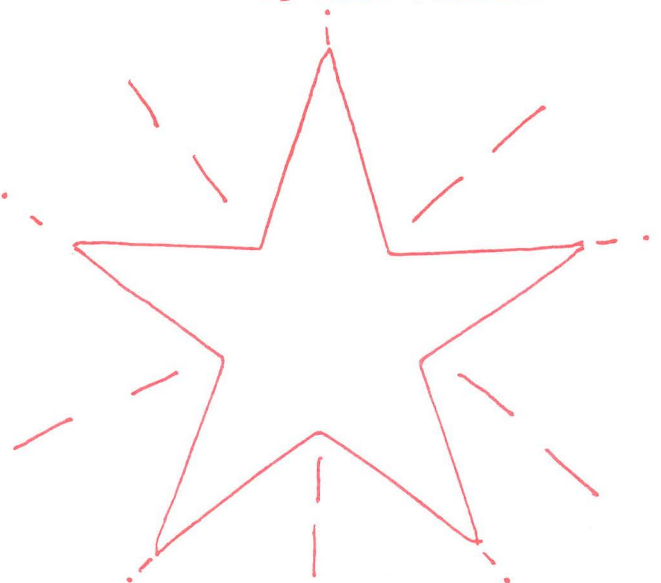
Another visitor was Mrs. Lessmiller. She brought in a skull from a dentist for the students to see the bone structure and jaw.

These students also wrote tall tales and then made "tall" characters which were on display in the hall.

The kids have received some letters back from the servicemen in Saudi Arabia.

The two birthdays this quarter are Bobbi Lamal's and Jessi Hoppe's. May they be happy!

by Anne Piontek



FIFTH GRADE--MRS. BECHARD

On December 11, the fifth graders received the sacrament of Reconciliation. It is a good experience, and they are proud of their banners.

In early November Matt Williquette won first place in the state for the "Punt, Pass, and Kick" contest at Lambeau Field.

In science they will compute their study of the human body and will know what and where the alveoli, septum, vena cava, and 47 other body parts are. The fifth grade will put it all together in a booklet.

The fifth grade classroom is decorated with Christmas trees that they trim each time they get an "A" or 100 percent.

In December Kelly Nick and Eric Jolly will be celebrating their birthdays. In January Matt Williquette will be celebrating his birthday.

by Sara Conrad

GRADE FIVE--MRS. WHITE

Activity abounds in the fifth grade!

December 11, the students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This is a special part of the fifth grade --a gift from God.

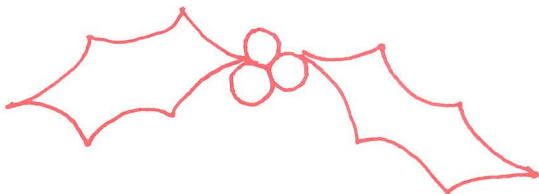
In "Readers are Leaders", a book challenge from Ronald McDonald, several students have achieved the goal of reading 12 books by December 11. They are Shannon Arcuri, Kyle Augustine, Matt Dionne, Jenny Larsen, Chris Pohlman, Jessie Selner, and John Verheyen. Ben DeBaker and Lori Van Pay have read more than eight books and are close to reaching the goal. Many other students are working hard to have twelve books read by December 21.

The fifth grade social studies classes have accomplished knowledge of "Explorers"! Each student completed their Colonial Era Unit on December 6. The students are studying the Revolutionary War and the development of the United States as a nation.

Mrs. White's students have been very active in Operation Brave Heart. Letters to and from their special service persons are shared among the class almost daily. The students have learned about the Middle East conflict and how important it is to care for people in need. In their daily prayers, they pray for a peaceful solution to this crisis.

In the school Christmas program, Chris Pohlman played Abraham, Paul Katers played Joseph, and Lori Van Pay portrayed Queen Esther.

by Karen Schlag



BAND--MR. BOUCHEA

Band students participate in new contests every week. Some of the outstanding students in the contests are Melissa Shefchik, four time winner; Matthew Dionne, four time winner; and Lori Van Pay, two winner.

The people in the A band are Brian Linssen, Matt Martin, Kristin Peters, Jenny Rentmeester, Melissa Shefchik, Greg Tuyls, Rachel Ullmer, Shannon Van De Hei, Jamie Verheyden, and Kristine Zegers.

Stars are given to the students when they study very hard. When a student collects thirty-six of the band's emblems, he or she is awarded a gold pin.

by Ryan O'Keefe

GRADE SIX--MRS. ROBLEY AND MISS VINCENT

The sixth grade students are preparing for Christmas by studying the Christmas prophets Isaiah and John the Baptist. They are learning that the greatest gifts we can give one another during this season of hope are kindness, love, and compassion.

During this busy and exciting time, they are also covering some academic ground. Some of the areas they are studying are geometry, elements and compounds, proper use of verbs, and a touch of good spelling.

On December fifth, the students had a worthwhile experience as they viewed the installation of Bishop Banks as our Diocesan leader.

by Bryan Dörner

GRADE SEVEN--MR. DONLON

The seventh grade is working on many different things in art, among them, making Jesse tree symbols for the Christmas play. They are also making Christmas presents out of wood for their parents.

In science the seventh grade is looking at many different and interesting things like worms and algae. In reading class they are becoming educated in many different languages, because they have been sharing phrases from different languages.

In language the seventh graders are using the computers to write poems. Also in language they are studying phrases and sentence structure.

In social studies they are studying the Middle East and the changes which are taking place there. They may be writing reports on this subject.

In religion the seventh grade is studying trust and friendship.

We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to Jamie Verheyden.

by Celena Potts



GRADE EIGHT--MRS. CARLSON AND
SR. DELORES

The eighth grade enjoyed a retreat at St. Norbert's Abbey where two special guests spoke to them about acceptance and rejection. The speakers were Fr. Mike and Mark Umentum, brother of Jessie Umentum, who will soon head to the Persian Gulf. It was a great learning experience for them.

The eighth grade also experienced a unique insight into Wisconsin history with their trip to Heritage Hill. It was a great day! The students will be doing reports on people of the Revolutionary period.



Many of them have entered "The Daughter of the American Revolution" essay contest. We wish them all good luck!

One language class is using a word processing program to do this newspaper. The other language class is writing their own puppet plays and making the puppets and stages that will be used to perform the plays. Both classes are working on phrases and clauses.

In reading one class is reading A Separate Peace. The other class is reading Where the Red Fern Grows.

In religion the eighth grade is studying the history of Christianity and how it spread and developed in America.

The eighth grade math class takes a monthly test for a contest. The top five scorers names are put in the contest as St. Philip representatives. The top scorers for the the month of November were Ryan O'keefe, Dawn Granberg, Eric Heezen, Derek DeGroot, and Bryan Dorner. The top scorers for the month of December were Eric Heezen, Derek DeGroot, Bryan Dorner, Lisa Van Pay, Tina Hannon. Congratulations to all the top scorers!

We'd like to wish a Happy Birthday to Anne Piontek, Tom Fonferek, Sara Conrad, Krissy Collins, Celena Potts, Jennifer Stahl, Becky Johanski, Jeff Pionek, and Jessie Umentum!

by Becky Gantz and
Stephanie Osmond

COMPUTER

As you may know, our new computers up and running! Here are a few fun things the students have done on them:

This newspaper was written and edited on the Word Perfect program, under the guidance of Mrs. Carlson. Carlson also works with the students in seventh and eighth grade, using the word processing program to type stories, poems, etc.

The sixth grade created brown bag mysteries and typed them on the word processing program called Word Perfect, under the guidance of Mrs. Robley.

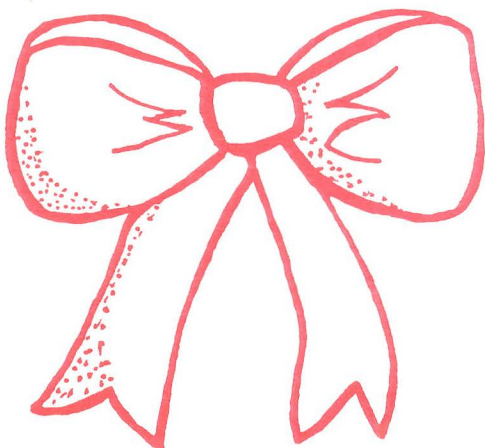
The whole school has been working on math programs that give practice in addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of whole numbers, fractions, and decimals.

The eighth grade is now working on the math concepts program at the primary level as a skill-builder, and to prepare them to work at more difficult levels.

The school has ordered some new language programs. They should be arriving shortly.

We are also working on installing a backup tape. A backup tape would allow us to use the computer after a power failure without going through the work of putting in all the students names and passwords again.

by Dawn Granberg



MUSIC--SR. JOLEEN

This quarter the Advent and Christmas program has been taking over most of Sr. Joleen's music classes, so here is a short summary of the program.

The Christmas program was performed December 19 at seven p.m., after a dress rehearsal the afternoon of the 19th, which the over 50 group was invited to see.

The program began with the creation story according to James Weldon Johnson, which was read chorally by the eighth grade.

Next, the fifth and sixth grades told about Abraham's calling, introduced Joseph by singing a song from the musical Joseph's Amazing Technicolor Coat, and introduced us to Queen Esther.

The third grade told us about the callings of Moses and Jeremiah.

Then the fourth grade introduced us to Ruth and the prophet Isaiah.

The seventh grade acted as a human Jesse tree.

The first and second grades followed by singing "Advent Candles" and "Waiting by the Window".

The seventh and eighth grades also introduced us to John the Baptist and sang "Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord".

The entire student body then sang "Come, Lord Jesus" and "Violet In The Snow".

The kindergarten performed the manger scene. Then, to end the program, the entire school and audience sang "Oh, Come All Ye Faithful".

by Dawn Granberg

FROM FR. MIKE'S DESK...

This is the time of year for guessing--the question asked by so many people is, "what am I getting for Christmas?"

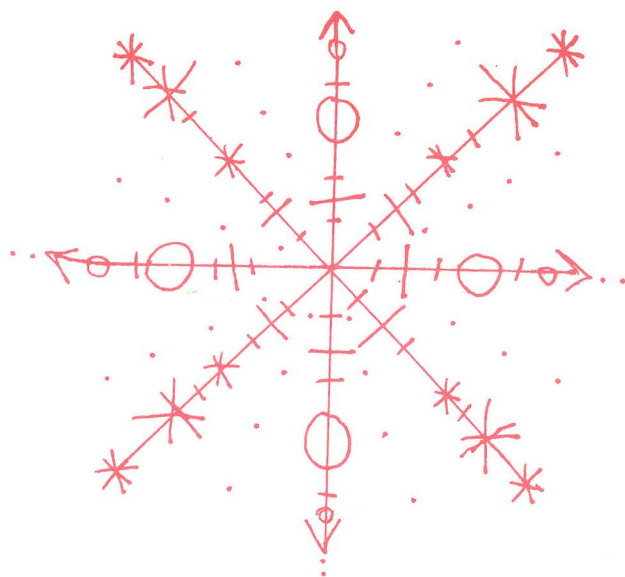
I know gifts are looked at. Boxes are lifted, shaken, and held up to the light. And secret hiding places are looked for and looked through. This Christmas, like so many, is a time of looking for gifts.

This year do not forget to look for the gifts that are right around you. Your parents are a gift to you; life is a gift to you; your faith is a gift to you; your friends are gifts. Each year the old Christmas gifts are pushed aside for the new ones, but some gifts remain for a long time.

Please always remember that your parents, your faith, God's grace, and friends are precious gifts that are with you always, while the old Christmas gifts lose their newness.

Merry Christmas,
Fr. Mike

P.S. Sally also wants to wish you all a Merry Christmas, and she said, "Don't forget to bring me a dog bone for Christmas."

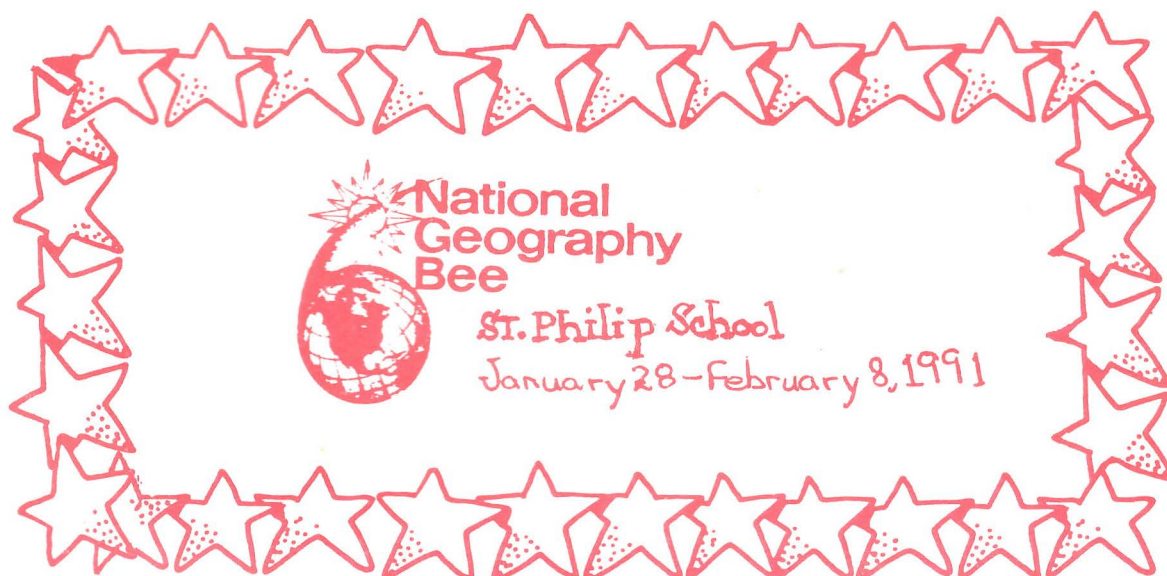


PHYSICAL EDUCATION

In Phy Ed this quarter, Mrs. Dassler is working on different types of hockey with the students. The students in first through fifth grade are working with pillow pollo. The sixth through eighth graders are working on regular floor hockey.

After Christmas grades one through five will be working on tumbling. The sixth through eighth grades will be working on pickle ball, another form of tennis. Dassler would like to do a bowling unit with the kids. She also adds that all of the students are well behaved.

by Bryan Dorner





A NEW FACE ON THE STAFF

There is someone new on the St. Philip staff. Her name is Beth Pankratz. She has been helping Mrs. Dvorak with the kindergarten as her student-teaching experience. Pankratz will be with us for the entire first semester.

Pankratz was born and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She goes to St. Norbert College.

Pankratz is here because the education program in the State of Wisconsin includes going to a school and working as a student teacher. This gives inexperienced college students the practical experience they need to begin a career in teaching.

At first Pankratz observed the kindergarten and Dvorak, but now she is taking over some classes little by little.

Pankratz plans to become a teacher after graduation in May.

Welcome Beth, and good luck with your future goals!

by Dawn Granberg

ST. PHILIP FALCON SERVICE

As a Christmas project, the student council, under the guidance of Mr. Donlon, is working on helping needy families in the parish. They are finding ways to raise money to give them things they need, such as coats, boots, and even Christmas presents.

They are also collecting new or almost new books for homeless children to give to them as a Christmas present.

Also, they are trying to find new ideas for helping needy families this Christmas.

by Derek DeGroot

LIBRARY--MRS. MARTIN

The kindergarten class had its own adventure with a purple crayon after they read Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson. The kindergarten is learning to storytell through predictable books such as Have You Seen My Cat? and The Very Busy Spider, both by Eric Carle.

The first and second graders are putting gold stickers on their teddy bears every time they return their library books on time. They can have six stars by Christmas. In storytime in November, they read The Relatives Came by Cynthia Rylant, and each child colored in his or her favorite relative.

The third graders are duplicating their favorite Caldecott illustrations.

The fifth and sixth graders played Dewey Bingo as a fun way to reinforce the Dewey Decimal System.

Many classes have won rewards for returned books and quiet reading. For their rewards some classes like to listen to music and sit on the floor.

by Sara Conrad

BASKETBALL--GRADE FIVE GIRLS

The coaches as well as the girls are looking forward to a good season, although they have gotten off to a rough start at 0-2.

In their first game, the score was 10-16. They don't have any official starters, but the first five played in any given game usually include Shelly Brice, Jenny Conard, Nicole Kowalkowski, Jessie Selner, and Lori Van Pay.

The coaches of the team are Andrea Vanden Avond and Terri Schaetz.

Results for the team's other games to date were not known at press time.

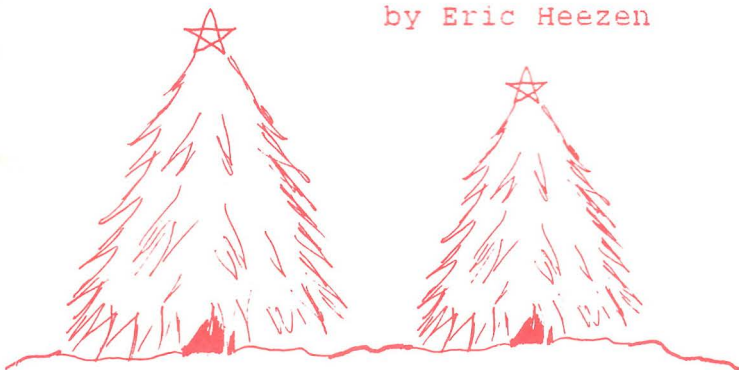
by Becky Johanski and
Lisa Van Pay

BASKETBALL--GRADE FIVE BOYS

The fifth grade has two teams, A and B. The A team includes Kyle Augustine, Chris Cisler, Matt Dionne, Ryan Kuchta, Nick Potts, Jason Rentmeester, John Verheyen, and Matt Williquette. The B team consists of Ben DeBaker, Tim Durkee, Wesley Granberg, Clayton Lautenslager, Chris Pohlman, Jason Smits, and Matt Van Laanen.

In their first game, team A played team B. Team A won by a score of 22-7. The leading scorer was Verheyen with 8 points. Both teams played hard and tried their best. The coaches are Dave Zellner and Mr. Pohlman.

by Eric Heezen



BASKETBALL--GRADE SIX GIRLS

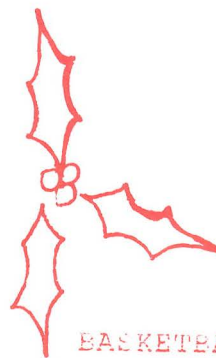
The sixth grade has two teams this year. The coaches of both teams are Chuck Prust and Mike Diamond. The first team consists of Shelly Belongea, Gina DeGroot, Kim Fenlon, Jami Katarincic, Christy Prust, Jenny Rentmeester, Dana Tilkens, Rachel Ulmen, and Shannon Van De Hei. This team's current record is 0-2.

The second team consists of Krista Cavanaugh, Jenny Cisler, Kari Dymond, Danelle Fracsh, Andrea Gantz, Jenny Jaeger, Jill Nuthals, Katie Schlag, Missy Shefchik, and Krissy Zegers. This team is currently 0-3.

Good luck to both teams!

by Lisa Van Pay and
Becky Johanski

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BASKETBALL--GRADE SIX BOYS

The sixth grade basketball season is off to an outstanding start. Greg Tuyls led the charge with an exciting 12 points in their first game. The scores of their first three games were 46-9, 27-24, and 26-13.

There are two sixth grade basketball teams. The A team is lead by Nick Bero, Kyle Larson, Ben Steffel, Chucky Timmerman, and Gregg Tuyls. The B team consists of Mark Daniels, Shawn Dix, Ryan Herlache, Jerriid Hessler, Matt Martin, Dave Reichwald, Troy Vanden Heuvel, and Scott Van Egeren.

The coaches are John Nowak and Jerry Conrad.

by Bryan Dorner

BASKETBALL--GRADE SEVEN

The seventh grade boys' basketball team is off to a great start! They are led by Brian Destree, Todd Gazella, Clint Petasek, Tim Reichwald, and Matt Vanden Avond. They CLOBBERED Resurrection with a score of 25 to 7. The leading scorer was Petasek with a devastating 18 points.

In their second game, the seventh grade boys easily defeated Aldo Leopold 36 to 12. The leading scorer was Brian Destree with 18 points.

The coaches of this powerful team are Jerry Williams and his son Jason.

by Eric Heezen

BASKETBALL--GRADE 8 GIRLS

The eighth grade girls basketball team is positive they will have a good season. They easily won their first game against Resurrection, 44-25. The high scorers were Karen Schlag with 16 points and Stephanie Osmond with 10 points.

Two games later, the team is still undefeated, and they hope to keep it that way for the rest of the season.

by Tina Hannon



BASKETBALL--GRADE SEVEN GIRLS

The coaches of this team, Mike Belongea and Jim Scovell, are looking forward to a promising season.

The team's current record is 1-2. The team rotates its starters.

The girls on the team are Kristin Glime, Casey Gurlkowski, Lisa Husnik, Lynn Husnik, Katherine Kusche, Jenny Osmond, and Kristin Peters. Good Luck!

by Becky Johanski
and Lisa Van Pay

BASKETBALL--GRADE EIGHT

The starters for the eighth grade basketball team are Keith Cavanaugh, Bryan Dorner, Eric Heezen, Mike Metzler, and Jamie Nuthals.

In their first game, the eighth grade boys took Resurrection TO THE CLEANERS with a whopping score of 58-36. The whole team contributed to the victory.

In their second game, the eighth grade boys ANNIHILATED Holy Family with a KNOCKOUT PUNCH of 56-29. Again the team came together for this win.

Andy Nooyen (otherwise known as Norm) scored his first two points of the season. The crowd went wild with excitement to cheer Andy on in his achievement. He also had a steal and a rebound.

The third game for the eighth grade boys was not as easy as the first two. A last second shot sent the game into overtime. After a very tense game, they pulled it out with the score of 50-47.

The coaches of this remarkable team are Dave Bieger and "Uncle Bill" Tordella.

The results of the team's remaining games to date were not available at press time.

by Derek DeGroot

the church of Saint Philip the apostle



WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:00, 5:30 PM
Sunday: 7:15, 8:30,
9:45, 11:00 AM

OTHER LITURGICAL SERVICES

BAPTISMS

Anyone requesting baptism should notify the parish 60 days before the desired date of baptism. A class for parents is held once a month.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sat. 3:00 - 3:45 PM and after 5:30 PM Mass.
By appointment: call the rectory
Penitential services during Advent and Lent

CONFIRMATION

Conferred on adults. People become eligible in their senior year of high school. Requirements include solid study of and growth in Catholic life.

WEDDINGS

Please make arrangements four months in advance to allow for adequate preparation and instruction. A marriage course is required.

FUNERALS

Weekdays: 10:30 AM
Arrangements for a luncheon may be made with:
Marge Mileski 468-8777
Evelyn Sharp 469-0084
Catherine Mc Clure 465-0809

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

People living within the area bordered on the west by the East River, on the north and east by Henry and Main Sts., and on the south by Kolb's Corners are members of St. Philip Parish. Catholics eighteen years and older should be individually registered at the rectory.

RECTORY

238 Victoria St. 468-7848

SISTER JUSTINIAN

312 Victoria St. 468-6367

RELIGION EDUCATION

312 Victoria St. 468-4368

SCHOOL

312 Victoria St. 468-7755

SISTERS' CONVENT

312 Victoria St. 465-1784

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Harold Beerntsen, Pastor	468-7848
Rev. William J. Eberhardy, Parochial Vicar	468-7848 468-3328
Donna Trembl, Director of Religious Education	468-4368
Sister Colette Hoadley, Principal	468-7755
Sister Justinian Hagel, Parish Minister, School & Convent	468-6367

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Former pastors to help St. Philip mark 50th year

By Judy Hierseman

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Four of the only five priests that have served as pastor at St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church since its organization in 1938 will be on hand Sunday when the congregation observes its 50th anniversary.

Only the founding priest, Msgr. Theodore Verbeten, will be absent. He died in 1974 at the age of 78.

He is remembered by the congregation as the driving force behind the parish for over 30 years.

"No other person has had as deep an influence upon the character and spirit of St. Philip Parish as Msgr. Verbeten. For 31 of his almost 50 years in the priesthood he lived and labored and loved in the midst of his people," according to the anniversary booklet.

Auxiliary Bishop Robert Morneau will conduct the 3 p.m. Mass Sunday. It will be concelebrated by Msgr. Paul Koszarek, who served from 1969-75, now vicar general of the Green Bay Diocese; the Rev. Richard Allen, 1975-82, pastor, St. Gabriel's Church, Neenah; the Rev. Harry Beernsten, 1982-88, pastor, St. Mary's Church, Peshtigo and the current pastor, the Rev. Michael Dory.

A dinner, program and dance at Riverside Ballroom will complete the day.

Sunday's activities will kick off a year-long observance, scheduled to conclude on Sept. 17, 1989. A variety of special sales, distribution of a parish pictorial directory, school children's special day and planting of a tree are included.

A 50th anniversary commemorative plate with stand is available. The Seton Mission has made and donated a history quilt to the parish.

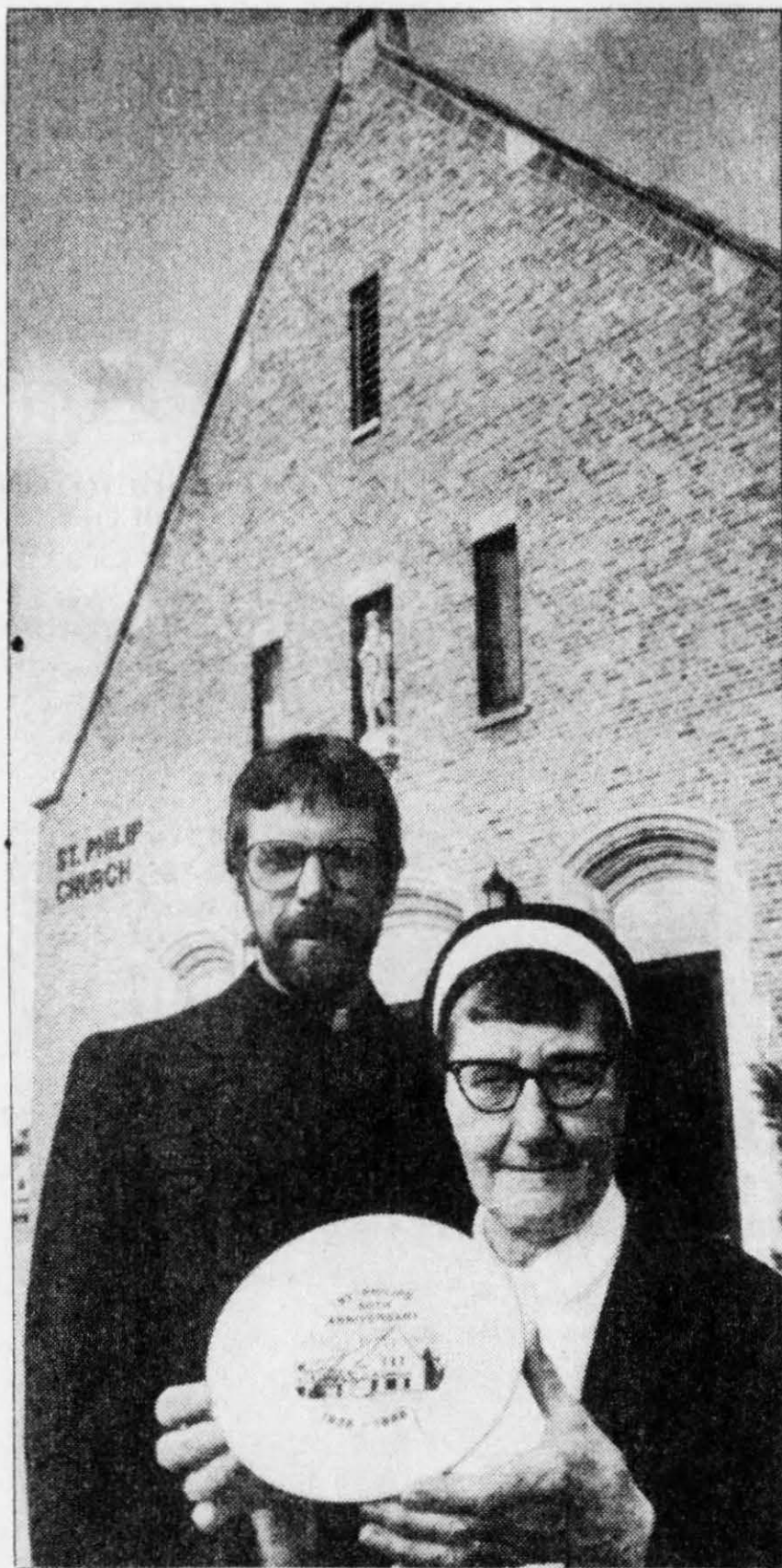
The colorful 86-by-90-inch quilt, which weighs five pounds and would fit a queen-size bed, will eventually be hung in a special display case. It was handmade by volunteers from the parish and depicts the history of the church.

The quilt shows St. Philip, crest of the diocese, groundbreaking in 1938, Altar Society formed in 1938 and Holy Name Society formed in 1940, a symbol of Holy Spirit, Verbeten, the church, Koszarek, marriage insignia, baptism, Knights of the Altar, pastors and associates, altar and Catholic Education insignia, Girl Scouts formed in 1948, Beernsten, pastors and associates, Allen, Athletic Club formed in 1947, Sister Justinian, a former school principal, Boys Scouts formed in 1956, Dory, parish picnic and Seton Mission formed in 1975.

First weekday Masses were held in the rectory on Irene Street and Sunday Masses in the basement of the Oak Grove School, beginning in September 1938. The parish was incorporated on May 22, 1939 and began with 268 families. Within two years the church, an eight-room school, hall, convent and rectory were completed at a cost of \$165,500.

First completed buildings in 1940 were described as having been designed as "traditional, of fire resistive construction, which required solid masonry walls, floor construction of concrete and but a minimum of wood, roofs covered with quarried slate shingles, all areas with asphalt tile floor coverings, acoustical tiles on the ceiling and most of the wood finish of oak."

Growth of the congregation led to the need for



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Anniversary commemorative: Sister Justinian Hagel, parish minister, holds a commemorative plate in honor of the 50th anniversary of St. Philip the Apostle Parish, 238 Victoria St. She is shown with the Rev. Michael Dory, pastor. The congregation is observing the anniversary with a Mass, dinner, program and dance on Sunday.

additions in 1949-50 and 1959-60. Later changes were made in worship and the expansion of opportunities for lay people and females in the church.

At the half century mark there are approximately 1,600 families in the parish.

Sisters of the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity from Manitowoc began teaching at the parish school in 1940. Sister Colette is the current principal. Estimates for the 1988-89 enrollment are 330 students with 21 on the teaching staff.

Also active in the parish are the Athletic Club, Altar Society, Holy Name Society, Home and School Association, the Ushers Club, Our Lady's Sodality, the newly organized Seton Mission, musical groups, a children's choir, organized by Mrs. Alex Noel in 1938, superseded by the boy's choir, in 1941 and the men's choir.

School's end may be near

St. Philip faces closure if funding goal isn't met

BY KELLY MCBRIDE

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St. Philip the Apostle School could close its doors at the end of the academic year if an 11th-hour fundraising push isn't successful, the Rev. Larry Canavera said Friday.

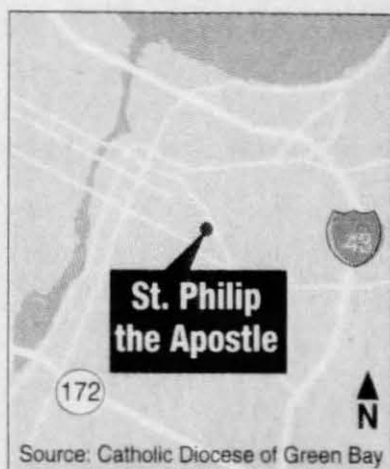
Canavera, pastor of St. Philip the Apostle, said the parish school essentially is out of options after a proposal for a unified Green Bay area Catholic school system was put on hold in January.

The Green Bay Regional Association of Catholic Education proposal would have closed St. Philip, Holy Cross and St. Joseph schools in Green Bay while creating a shared funding system among area parishes. And although Canavera didn't support the GRACE proposal as written, St. Philip no longer can go it alone, he said.

"Parishes and schools in the area need to work together," he said. "We can't try to go independent of one another. That's where there was the disappointment in what did come forth with the GRACE proposal."

The parish and school need to have raised a total of \$100,000 by Sunday to stay open another year, said John Adams, chairperson of St. Philip's parish council.

And while some funds have been raised, they're still far from their goal, Adams said. He declined to say exactly how much still is needed to save the school.



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“Whatever comes out of this, we want it to be the very best it can be.”

Joe Bound, director of Total Catholic Education for the Diocese



"There's still some tallying and we're quite a ways away yet," he said. "But we could get a couple big donors."

If the parish council votes to recommend closing St. Philip — a decision that's likely early next week — the Diocesan Board of Education and Green Bay Bishop David Zubik would have to approve the move.

Should St. Philip close, it will be the second GRACE proposal school to do so after being granted an apparent one-year reprieve after Zubik announced the proposal would be put on hold.

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St. Philip/School, parish need total of \$100,000 by Sunday

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In March, it was announced St. Joseph School would consolidate with Trinity School at the Trinity location.

When Zubik announced in January that the diocese would mandate no immediate school closings or consolidations, he also said individual schools and parishes could make those decisions independently.

And with financial and enrollment woes continuing to affect Catholic schools in the Green Bay area, some have run out of options, Canavera said.

"Any time that you've got enrollment limitations, any reduction in numbers hurts," he said.

St. Philip had projected a student enrollment of 109 for this academic year, Canavera said, but currently has only 98 students. Next year's enrollment — likely affected by the possibility of closure under GRACE — was projected to be around 70 students, Adams said.

Green Bay's funding and enrollment problems aren't unique, said Joe Bound, director of Total Catholic Education for the Diocese.

"Nationally, there are these issues with Catholic education and diocese and cities," Bound said. "Locations where there's a concentration of Catholic schools are looking at developing systems or consolidating or coming up with consortiums to strengthen Catholic day school."

Prior to beginning his new job in January, Bound was president of the ACES/Xavier Educational System in Appleton. ACES/Xavier is a unified system similar to what's been considered for the Green Bay area.

And while the diocese still is working on a plan for a unified Catholic school system in the area, the timeframe remains uncertain, Bound said.

One of the criticisms of the GRACE proposal was that its

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Pam Quick, St. Philip parent

implementation would be too rushed.

"Whatever comes out of this," Bound said, "we want it to be the very best it can be."

As for school and parish families, many have been frustrated by the lack of a decision thus far, said St. Philip parent Pam Quick. Quick's son, Kyle, is a kindergartner at the school.

"We asked them, tell us 'yes' or 'no,'" said Quick, who lives within walking distance of the school. "I have to make a decision. Where is my son going to go?"

Quick wants to keep Kyle within the Catholic school system, she said, and will enroll him at St. Thomas More School if registration there still is open.

And while Quick — who was relieved by the apparent reprieve in January — is disappointed the school still could close. She said it's likely tougher on families who have had students there longer.

"I would feel horrible if I was the parent of an older child," she said.

A phone-a-thon appealing to school alumni and other potential donors is continuing, but it's tough to be optimistic, Adams said. After seeing his own three children attend St. Philip, he knows firsthand what its closure could mean.

"The education, the values they teach, is very important," Adams said. "And we're going to lose that. Hopefully Catholic education will continue in some form, which I think it will. Just not in our school."

Fundraising effort not enough to save St. Philip

Parish school to permanently close June 30

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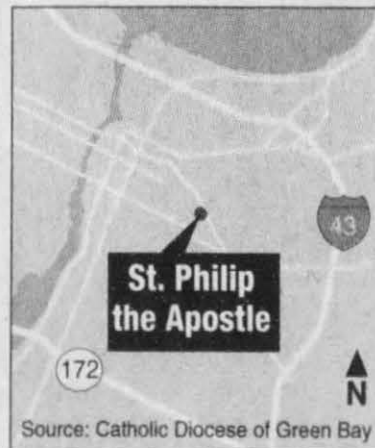
St. Philip the Apostle School in Green Bay will close its doors for good June 30 after a last-minute fundraising push failed to keep the school afloat.

The Rev. Larry

Canavera, pastor of St. Philip, made the official announcement Wednesday after a Sunday fundraising deadline came and went.

The school raised slightly more than \$22,000 of the \$100,000 needed to keep St. Philip open for another year.

"We have been dealing with this challenge for a number of years," Canavera said. "And we have come to the point where we cannot continue operating as a school."



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St. Philip was one of three schools originally slated to close under the

Green Bay Regional Association of Catholic Education proposal that was put on hold in January.

It was granted an apparent reprieve when Green Bay Bishop David Zubik announced there would be no mandated school closings or consolidations for the 2006-07 school year.

In March, it was announced that St. Joseph School — which also would have closed under GRACE — would be consolidating with Trinity School at the

Trinity location.

And although many at St. Philip celebrated after Zubik's January decision, the school's troubles weren't necessarily a surprise to students and staff, said St. Philip principal Heidi Potts.

"I think they understood that the GRACE proposal wasn't the only thing that could close the school," Potts said.

Ninety-eight students in kindergarten through eighth grade currently at-

tend St. Philip, in addition to 16 preschoolers. Potts sent a letter home Monday offering help with alternative school placements for next year.

The Catholic Diocese of Green Bay is continuing plans for a unified Catholic school system in the Green Bay area, Joe Bound, director of Total Catholic Education, said last week.

St. Philip has operated a school since 1939. The last day of class for students will be June 8.